ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Disclosed is a photothermographic material comprising, on one side of a support, a photosensitive silver halide, a non-photosensitive silver salt of an organic acid, a reducing agent for silver ions and a binder, which is characterized by containing one or more phenol compounds as the reducing agent and one or more compounds satisfying at least one of the following requirements A and B in combination:

A: the hydrogen bond formation rate constant Kf is $20 \cdot 4000$, B: the chemical structure is represented by the following formula (II), (III), (IV) or (V) (R^{21} and others represent an alkyl group etc.), or has a phosphoryl group. According to the present invention, there is provided a photothermographic material that can provide sufficient image density at practical reaction temperatures (specifically $100 \cdot 140\,^{\circ}\text{C}$) with practical reaction times (specifically $1 \cdot 30$ seconds), and can sufficiently suppress coloration of blank portions during storage in the dark after development.

$$R^{21}$$
 R^{22}
 R^{31}
 R^{32}
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